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RAILWAYS
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INTRODUCTION OF RAILNET
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether there is any proposal to introduce Railnet;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof;

(c) the time by which it is likely to be developed and introduced alongwith the expenditure involved therein; and

(d) the number of commuters are likely to be benefited thereby?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Railnet is being introduced progressively on the Railways. At present RAILNET connects the Railway Board with all Zonal Railway Headquarters, Production units, Centralised Training Institutes and 22 divisions. The approximate expenditure for providing RAILNET system on Indian Railways is estimated to be Rs. 13.91 Crores. Railnet system enables various intranet facilities like e-mail, data transfer, data connectivity between the various users.

(d) RAILNET does not directly benefit the commuters. However, Rail users can access Railway websites for getting general information on Railways.